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SUPPLEMENTATION. Supplementation of this regulation and issuance of command and local forms is prohibited unless prior approval is obtained from HQ USFK, ATTN: FKJ1-J-P, Unit #15237, APO AP 96205-0010.

INTERNAL CONTROL PROVISIONS. This regulation does not contain management control procedures.

1. **PURPOSE.** This regulation assigns responsibilities for the Phase I processing of formerly captured/missing U.S. military personnel. The U.S. civilian personnel may be processed using these procedures.

2. **APPLICABILITY.** This regulation applies to units and activities assigned, attached, or under the operational control (OPCON) of United States Forces, Korea (USFK).

3. REFERENCES.

a. The following are required publications:

(1) COMUSFK OPLAN 5027. Cited in paragraph 5b(2).

(2) USCINCPACINST 3461.1E (Policies/Procedures for Processing Formerly Captured U.S. Military Personnel within USPACOM). Cited in paragraph 5c(1).

b. The following are related publications:

(1) AR 381-20 (The Army Counterintelligence Program).

(2) USCINCPAC OPLAN 5027, Appendix 2 to Annex E.

4. **EXPLANATION OF ABBREVIATIONS AND TERMS.** Abbreviations and terms used in this regulation are explained in the glossary.

*This regulation supersedes USFK Reg 600-200, 7 February 1991.

5. RESPONSIBILITIES.

a. The Assistant Chief of Staff (ACofS), J1 will--

(1) Relay notification received via the United Nations Command Military Armistice Commission regarding the date/time, circumstances of release, and identification of returnees to the U.S. Commander in Chief, Pacific (USCINCPAC) (J12) by an **IMMEDIATE** AUTODIN message, with an information copy to Commander, 8th PERSCOM (EAGA-PA-C), Commander, 7th Air Force (DP), Commander, U.S. Naval Forces Korea (N1), Commander, Marine Forces Korea (MARFOR-K), Commander, Special Operations Command Korea (SOCKOR), USFK Public Affairs Officer, and the American Embassy Seoul.

(2) Contact the Phase I quick reaction reception team (13th Air Force) for assistance in Phase I processing.

(3) Appoint an officer(s) to assist returnee(s) during Phase I processing.

(4) If required, establish a Phase I processing center (depending on the number of returnees).

b. The Phase I Assistance Officer will--

(1) Arrange for an appropriate greeting of the returnee(s).

(2) Coordinate with 18th Medical Command for initial medical evaluation (see Appendix 3 to Annex D of COMUSFK OPLAN 5027)..

(3) Alert the CI Branch, ACofS, J2 to conduct the appropriate intelligence debriefing.

c. The ACofS, J2, CI Branch, will--

(1) Coordinate with the appropriate service counterintelligence or special intelligence agencies for debriefing of returned personnel in accordance with USCINCPACINST 3461.1E.

(2) Intelligence debriefings will be designed to obtain information on other detained or missing personnel, to identify known deceased, detained, or missing personnel, and to obtain perishable information of immediate tactical or sensitive value. All other intelligence requirements will be deferred until the returned U.S. personnel arrive in the Continental United States (CONUS).

(3) Review, analyze, and determine proper disposition of information obtained during debriefings of returned personnel.

(4) Initiate an investigation of offenses punishable under the Uniform Code of Military Justice when previously acquired reliable information clearly indicates that an investigation of the returnee's conduct is warranted. Debriefings will be conducted to ensure the full protection of the individual's rights.

d. The ACoS, J4 will--

(1) Coordinate with the Eighth United States Army (EUSA) for the transportation of returnee(s) from the point of release to the designated Phase I processing location.

(2) Coordinate with EUSA to have the 18th Medical Command schedule aeromedical evacuation to USCINCPAC-specified United States Pacific Command (USPACOM) Processing Centers (UPCs).

e. The Commanders, United States Air Forces, Korea, United States Naval Forces, Korea, Commander, Marine Forces Korea, Commander, Special Operations Command Korea, and EUSA will--

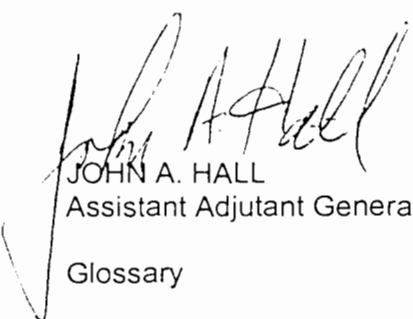
(1) To the extent possible, verify the identity of each returnee using available personnel data and previously submitted formerly captured, missing, or detained personnel reports.

(2) Report the release through appropriate personnel channels following identity verification.

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GLOSSARY

Section I. ABBREVIATIONS

CINCPAC	Commander in Chief, Pacific
CONUS	continental United States
EUSA	Eighth United States Army
OPCON	operational control
UPC	USPACOM Processing Center
USFK	United States Forces, Korea
USPACOM	United States Pacific Command

Section II. TERMS

Captured Personnel. Members of the U.S. Armed Forces who are forcibly held by an unfriendly power during an armed conflict in which the U.S. is involved.

Detained Personnel (Detainees). The U.S. military personnel forcibly held by a foreign power when no armed conflict exists or when armed conflict exists but the U.S. is not involved. This term does not encompass defectors or persons detained incident to known individual misconduct or other activities unrelated to military activities.

Evader. A person isolated in a hostile or unfriendly territory that eludes capture and seeks return to U.S. control.

Initial Reception (Phase I). The initial acceptance of returned U.S. personnel back to U.S. control pending their onward aeromedical evacuation to a designated United States Pacific Command (USPACOM) processing center. This initial reception includes appropriate greeting, medical evaluation, identification and appropriate reporting.

Returned U.S. Personnel. Captured, missing, or detained U.S. military personnel who are returned to U.S. Government control whether by escape, release, repatriation, rescue, or other means. This category does not include defectors or U.S. personnel detained for activities unrelated to military operations.

USPACOM Processing Center (UPC). The UPC is a USCINCPAC designated location in USPACOM, under the command of a USCINCPAC designated agency, which must be prepared to assume the responsibility for processing returned U.S. personnel of all Services. A Joint Information Bureau will be established at each UPC for the central flow of operational information and management of public affairs.